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To: Mr. Frédéric Guignier, Regional Director of Civil Aviation Authority (DSAC)
for French Antilles and French Guiana
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Lt. Col. Egbert Field, Guyana Civil Aviation Authority
Mr. Jerry Miranda, Ministry of Public Works, Suriname

Subject: **Ninth South American Meeting on ATS Routes Network Optimization (SAM ATSRO/9)**
(Lima, Peru, 16 to 20 July 2018)

Action
required: Take note and design participants by **2 July 2018**

Sir,

I have the honour to address you this letter to refer to the strategy to support the optimisation of South American airspace, as well as to the programme of activities adopted by the Eleventh Meeting or the Coordination Committee of the Regional Project RLA/06/901 (RCC/11 - Lima, Peru, 5 October 2017)

In such sense, I am pleased to invite your Administration to participate in the Ninth Meeting on ATS Routes Network Optimisation (SAM ATSRO/9), to be held in this Regional Office, in Lima, Peru, from **16 to 20 July 2018**.

This meeting aims to follow up on the implementation of the Version 04 of SAM Routes Network, in the framework of the study on the optimisation of South American Region ATS route network, as it has been consolidating since the ATSRO/8 Meeting and subsequent conference calls carried out in order to define aspects of the implementation. The draft Agenda to be dealt with during the Meeting is included as **Attachment A**.

It is important to emphasize that the Meeting will take as a frame of reference for its activities, the draft document on “*PBN Concept of Operations (CONOPS) for SAM Airspace 2018-2020*”, approved at SAM/IG/19 meeting.

The profile of the participating delegates is relevance, and is recommended the assistance of experts, planners and/or Air Traffic Management (ATM) specialists from Civil Aviation Administrations and/or ATS service providers directly involved in the design and optimisation of airspace in SID and STAR RNAV routes within the PBN concept, with the authority to take decisions about airspace optimisation and on the publication and effective date of the agreed routes to be incorporated in the AIP of each State.

Experts appointed by their administrations should use the Version 04 Routes Master, in Excel format, which will be uploaded as part of the Meeting's documentation, as well as the results of additional coordinations presented during the SAM/IG/21 Meeting, 21 to 25 May 2018.

Likewise, should your Administration identify a route that can be optimised to generate important fuel savings, or representing an improvement in operational efficiency, same can also be presented to the Meeting for early implementation.

The corresponding documentation will be published in the ICAO SAM Office website: <http://www.icao.int/sam>. No documentation is foreseen for distribution during the development of the meeting. Please be aware that the meeting will be conducted in Spanish, *with English simultaneous interpretation service only if confirmations of English speaking States participants are received in this Regional Office no later than 2 July 2018*.

According to the aforesaid, I am please to invite your Administration to nominate expert(s) to attend this meeting, by submitting, if applicable, the attached registration form (**Attachment B**), duly filled out for each participant, by e-mail (icaosam@icao.int) no later than **2 July 2018**.

Messrs. Fernando Hermoza (fhermoza@icao.int), ATM/SAR Regional Officer and Roberto Sosa (rsosa@icao.int), ANS & SFTY Regional Office of the ICAO South American Regional Office, are at your disposal should you require any additional information on this meeting.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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Enclosure

As indicated

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